

The Louisville Municipal Code (LMC) Chapter 5.06 prohibits certain types of activities of peddlers, solicitors and vendors within the City.

The right of every Louisville business and resident to prevent unwanted solicitation includes:

The right to post a notice or notices upon private property to the effect that peddlers, solicitors and vendors shall not enter the premises or solicit or attempt to solicit orders or sales from the owner or occupants.

Permitted activities in the City include:

Solicitation by a bona fide religious, charitable, school and civic organizations, or other organization eligible for exemption under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code. To confirm such an exemption, these entities may obtain a City Door-to-Door Permit (no fee) upon providing the City a copy of their IRS exempt letter.

Distribution of non-commercial information in the exercise of a person's First Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

Solicitation of newspaper subscriptions, milk deliveries, trash collection services, or linen services by persons who sell and deliver such goods or services within the City by vehicle over a fixed route based on previous orders or on a regular schedule. These business entities must comply with all postings or signs of a business or resident indicating "no solicitation" or "no trespassing". Any person that fails to comply with such notices is guilty of an unlawful act and punishable as provided in Section 1.28.010 of the LMC.

Prohibited activities in the City include:

To enter or remain upon any private premises or office building in the City, having not been requested or invited by the occupant for the purpose of contacting the occupant to solicit the immediate or future purchase or sale of goods, services, or any other thing of value.

To enter or remain upon any private premises or office building in the City when a "No Solicitation" or "No Trespassing" sign is posted at or near the entrance to such premises.

To sell or offer for sale any goods, services, or any other thing of value from or upon any street, alley, sidewalk, park, or property owned or controlled by the public or by the City, except as authorized by the Planning Department, City Council or its designee.

To attempt to obtain, by telephone or otherwise, an invitation to visit any private residence or other private premises for the purpose of soliciting the purchase or sale of goods, services, or any other thing of value, by knowingly making a false or deceptive representation or statement.

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